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Number 117.

PART FIFTEEN.

"Jan. 8, 1890. C. B. Boss, of Bryant's Pond, is the owner of a flatlock English fuses, that was used by his grandfather, John Bess, at the battle of Bunker Hill. It has been handed down from father to son. "It is stated that a company of well-known capitalists is to be formed in Portland for operating the huge granite quarries of Norway. "The new Baptist church in Norway was dedicated on New Year's eve with an interesting service. Rev. A. P. K. Small, of Portland, preached the sermon."

"July 2. Norway is solving the problem of the road repairing business in a novel way. In one of our districts the men decided they would no longer oversee the mending of the roads as it was a thankless job at best and they were all busy with their other work. But the roads were in a bad condition and must be repaired. A lady was appointed surveyor and she undertook the work with the determination to succeed. The road machine did men who worked under her direction have put the road in first-class shape. "Have you got a good road?" we asked. "The best we have had for years" was the answer. "Those bare ledges in the road that have been such annoyance to teams have been well covered, the first time for 17 years. Norway claims the honor of having the first lady road surveyor."

"Arthur E. Barker, of Bethel, has been appointed a clerk in the census office."

"July 5. Mr. Daniel Farnum, of Rumford, now in his 91st year, is as spry as a boy and bids fair to round out a century of existence. "Detective Wormell arrested L. Ford, the school-teacher man, at Bethel, Monday for swindling. N. A. Lucas, State Superintendent of Schools, published a card, denying Ford's claim that he was acting under his instructions."

"There is considerable excitement in Albany. Parties from New York have been operating with school committees and district agents and succeeded in selling them \$125 worth of school charts. The parties have been arrested for obtaining money under false pretenses."

"Aug. 6. At Bethel, the work of laying the piping across the river is about half done. The accidental breaking of the rope will delay the business for several days. "Stephen J. Seavey, a former stage driver on the route from Bethel to Portland and from the White Mountain to Orono, N. H., died Thursday morning from an attack of heart disease. He was on the street the day before in his usual health."

"Abiel Chandler, Jr., of Bethel, has in his possession an officer's spy glass picked up on the second Bull Run battle 1862. The case in which it was enclosed contained the name of Lieut. Thomas B. Tremley, Co. B, 24th South Carolina Regiment. The lieutenant was dressed in a beautiful gray suit, lying on his back with his sword in his right hand and the glass beside him, and through his head."

"Sept. 24. Gen. M. C. Westworth, one of the trustees of Fryburg academy, has given \$100 to aid poor students."

"The Bethel Water Co. let the water into the village Friday, and attached hose to one of the hydrants, and it is judged that it threw water 150 feet into the air and would cover any building for a long distance."

"Bethel Academy opened with about 25 scholars under the care of Prof. H. H. Johnson, who assisted him last year, was charged to give up the school on account of his health. His wife and another competent teacher assist him."

"Judge H. K. Baker and James Lee of Hallowell, with their wives, have been taking their annual trip for pleasure up through Oxford county. They crossed the drive up along the Androscoggin one of the prettiest to be found in the State. They first commenced to take their annual trip 25 years ago. Although the venerable judge is over 80 years old, he still enjoys the beautiful scenery and pleasant ride as of yore. "Three brothers by the name of McCreedy, and a man named McLean, from Prince Edward Island, who have been working for A. S. Dean, of West Bethel, got drunk Saturday evening, and going to the church there, walked up to the pulpit, and not agreeing with the minister's statements, one of them denounced the reverend gentleman as a liar. The four ruffians kept quiet for a while after this, but finally left, cursing and threatening the clergyman if he did not leave. Charles P. Brown, who has interfered in the interests of law and order was assailed by the entire gang and very roughly used. "There is much activity at Rumford Falls, preparations for the installation of the immense water power there going ahead on a grand scale. One hundred and fifty workmen are employed there and this number is swelling daily. There is talk of a large hotel going up next season, and also it is said some of the gentlemen interested will build summer homes there. The lands acquired on each bank on both sides of the river a sufficient distance to cover the full development of the water power, with sites for building purposes for a future city, and with thirty mill sites varying in size from 150x250 to 300x350. This is exactly what is contemplated in the plans drawn up by a score of engineers, and now in the hands of the agents of the company at Rumford Falls. A headless horseless have already been applied for."

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ENTERTAINMENT

AT CANTON

Given Under Auspices of Rebekah Lodge. A Success.

The entertainment Saturday evening given under the auspices of Ponemah Rebekah Lodge, was one of the best ever given in town, and the Opera House was filled with an appreciative audience. The entertainment opened with piano solos by Mrs. Chas. Williams of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Gladys Waite Russell of Canton, which were much enjoyed. Miss Wilson proved to be an artist of rare ability and her sketches which covered a wide range of character study delighted and thrilled the audience. "The Spinning Wheel Song," "The Convict," "The Sweet Girl Graduate," "The Wood Nymph" and "The Bootblack" were all given with marvelous ability. These studies were interspersed with fine selections by the Canton band and guitar club, which is always a drawing card. It was assisted by Alvin Barrows of Y. Summer. Vocal duets by Mr. Barrows and Mrs. Russell were enjoyed, as was also banjo solos by Mr. Barrows. A dance followed the entertainment with music by Towle's orchestra. Ice cream was served.

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LADIES CLUB

HELD FAIR

At Bethel, Thursday. Equally as Good as in Former Years.

The ladies of the Congregational Society, Bethel, held their annual Mid-Summer Fair, Thursday, August 10. Garland Chapel was made attractive with decorations of an abundance of cut flowers, and tables well filled with the handwork of the ladies and misses. Tea and punch were served in the parlors by Misses Jeannette Merrill and Miriam Herrick, and here beautiful flowers found ready sale with Inez Stowell and Eleanor Tibbitts as little flower girls. Martha Washington looked as though she had just stepped out of an old fashioned portrait on the wall, as she was dressed in the very silk dress that was worn by Mrs. Dr. Mason at one of the presidential inaugurations, while Dr. Mason was a congressman. Mrs. Washington sold for a dime the recipe for compounding the famous Mount Vernon cake which was used in the Washington family for years. One of the skilled cooks of the Ladies Club made a cake from the recipe and the samples proved the fine quality of the cake. The young ladies' table proved unusually attractive and was well patronized. Ice cream, home-made candy and the table of aprons and useful articles all added to the proceeds of the fair. At 6:15 supper was served to a large number and the social element was not lacking. The ladies congratulate themselves with the success equal to former years.

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BETHEL CORNSHOP.

PRO-LICENSE

Misrepresentation.

Mr. S. C. Whitman, manager of the Bethel Cornshop has arrived and is looking after the preparations for the coming season which it is expected will open near Sept. 1st. There is an increased acreage this year but with the dry season there will naturally be some shrinkage from the amount expected, although the quality promises to be good. More huckers will be required this year and persons wanting work inside or outside the shop can apply to Mr. Whitman in person. A man to look after the machinery is needed as Mr. Charles Brown who has given so good satisfaction in that capacity for the past few years, is unable to fill the position on account of other engagements at the garage. That a favorable season is anticipated is evident by the three car loads of corn that have been stored for use. Mr. Fred Bean will order in the corn as last year. The public will be glad to meet Mr. Whitman again as the management is sure to be successful. This fair to outrank all the others in brilliancy. Yet year after year the non-believers dressed their prohibitive strains of unbelief, but of late every doubting voice is hushed. No one in this whole State would to-day like to be the only one to deny that every promise has been kept to the letter. Yet, even beyond the letter into the spirit again and again. No voice will ever dare to assert that the Maine Festival have ever disappointed the patrons or that every financial situation has not been honorably met. The believers have won out! Bethel has now a vista opening before it. A new perfectly appointed, artistic inn is asked for this beautiful village, up to the level of its lovely homes and its intelligent refined residents. We all loved our picturesque old hotel. It wrung our hearts to see the staunch, built-upon-honor, Chandler wing reluctantly giving way to the flames, but we have known for years that such a house needs modern aids to make it adequate for present requirements. "New residences teach new duties" and the complete change brought about by the absence, delighted in, come to stay, automobile makes it imperative that we open our eyes to opportunities. Bethel lies nearly half-way between Dutton Woods and Poland Springs. As surely as time can bring it an ideal location will connect these two hot-spots. Heroin lies Bethel's broader future. Believers feel that not only as a summer resort, but also as a winter home the town, and led and managed to meet 20th century needs and tastes, will attract the same class of people who do delight in the winter life of Poland Springs. And so, dear believers, and possibly a very, very few non-believers, rather than believers, but realize that we are all members one of another. No doubt things have been wrought out in our dear village that has not been dreamed of when it was only a project. Our intelligent, closer community, so far to the future, as it has already proved to the past, will have a chance to have its own winter Saturday afternoon. The wise spirit of progress would be to give its help towards a great end among us. To the extra who will decide whether the new inn shall have their help, let a non-water say these words. Men truly gifts themselves again their having a brand, been cases of justice. Voters of Bethel! You demand the removal of taxes is full from those you do not allow the right to vote upon this question next Saturday. You say that good men can be trusted to represent the wishes of good women for the public good. We women taxpayers with the new law exempted from taxation for ten years.

These represent us. A Believer. A certain large black bear, with a mane for honey and a liking for pork, met his Waterloo at West New Village, the other day. He knows a thing or two, now, that he did not know when he came sailing about a berry patch where the children of Mrs. Gates Lane were berrying. When Mrs. Lane saw her bear's ruin rise upon his shoulders near one of the children, she seized a stick and went for him in a way that undoubtedly excited his appreciation of the "the going man and coming woman." At any rate, he withdrew as gracefully as possible, and left Mrs. Lambert in charge of the field and her brood of seven children, the eldest only seven years of age.

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MISREPRESENTATION.

The Biddeford Record, Portland Argus, and Waterville Sentinel are publishing quotations from Gov. Wilson of New Jersey, Wm. J. Bryan, Ex-Gov. Cobb and Judge Hall of Augusta, as condemning prohibition and supporting local option. None of these alleged utterances are dated, but an expression in one of them shows that the event referred to was 21 years ago. Three of these quotations were accompanied by large cartoons of the authors, and one of these newspapers prints several of these misleading quotations daily. Instead of these garbled and misquoted utterances, let us have the exact and dated statements of these four men. Governor Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey said on Aug. 1, 1911, "It distresses me that such use should be made of my views with regard to New Jersey by the Waterville Morning Sentinel." On July 6, 1911, he wrote to E. W. Grogan of Byers, Texas: "I believe that for some states state-wide prohibition is possible and desirable, because of their relative homogeneity, while for others I think that state-wide prohibition is both practicable and have no reason to

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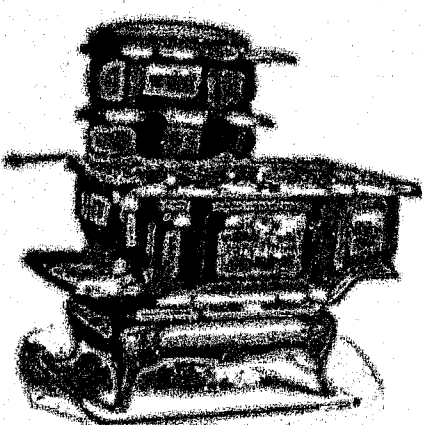
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by a searching and honest investigation of the records of the past 15 years, it is found that the business of the United States has been a steady growth and that the people of the United States are becoming more and more prosperous. This is due to the fact that the people of the United States are becoming more and more prosperous.

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HAD SHOT
A man was shot yesterday afternoon in the street near the corner of Broadway and Commercial streets. The man was shot in the chest and was taken to the hospital. The man was shot in the chest and was taken to the hospital.

THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Reveries—A Column
Dedicated to Tired Mothers
as they Join the Home
Circle at Evening Tide.

DID YOU EVER HAVE THE BLUES?
The blues! What are they? Webster defines them as "a lowness of spirits." How they cost us for our duties of the day; how they alienate our kindly words and mother our smiles. What a welkinless feeling they give to everything. Even the dog shakes away, all his frisking sobriety, when he looks on in the face and discerns our "Lowness of spirits."

We see a cloud upon our sky, perhaps it is a very small one, sometimes we feel it instead of beholding it; just a faint depression, a little dismal dampness, a foreboding we cannot account for. We immediately forget that no life can be entirely cheerful; we think we have all the trouble partitioned out to humanity; the spirit of gloom settles on us; we exclaim, as for we have the blues.

Who hath a cure for them? We may take pepper for our stomach's sake, rob camphor on our aching head, bathe our rheumatic limbs with liniment and our brains with witch hazel, but how shall we minister to our "Lowness of spirits?" Let me whisper it to you; or shall I shout it from the house-top? There is a blessed balm that never fails to soothe, which is found in doing kindly deeds and speaking comforting words.

One rainy day not long ago, I sat at my desk vainly endeavoring to write a few words together in coherent form. Whether it was the unkind weather I had to deal with, the emptiness of my brain or the depressing downpour outside, I know not, but I felt my "blues" pressing over me. Just then the small boy of my household very timidly reminded me, "You said on a rainy day you'd paste some pictures in my scrapbook." Being exceedingly desirous of seeing the blues, I said, "I don't bother me now, dear." The child's voice was obediently obeyed, but not the far more insistent voice of my heart, that firmly repeated the words my memory had taught it. "Do something for somebody quick!" The pen and paper were laid aside, the dial table took the place of the desk, and the ambitious scribbler was immediately transformed into an earnest mother delighting her little son by gaily pasting the gaudy bunches of flowers, and the pictured birds and animals into among pictures on the white pages before her laughing partner.

There is never a time when we can find something to do for somebody. It may be only to write a few simple words, to send a card to a neighbor with a book we believe she will enjoy reading, to copy for some acquaintance a poem we are sure she will like to have. Perhaps we are doing odd jobs to make a timely gift for a friend, or to take a few stitches on it and sew it up quickly for a few minutes. If you are building this you can do just as quickly for a few minutes and think of the pleasure you have had. What trip you expect to make that summer, can you ever forget it? That bunch of roses your husband brought home on your birthday, what a sweet gift that was. When coloring words were pasting "All days to come" what could be more comforting? Think and think, or older and still think on all occasions has a shadow and you are the up with a smile will soon your task on the card across the blue ring region, and your heart's desire is cheerfully met.

HELP-MACRIFICE.
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RELATIONSHIP AND VELOCITY.
When one body glides over the surface of another the coefficient of friction diminishes as the velocity increases and exactly reverses when the velocity attains a certain critical value. This dimension of friction is due to the air which partially separates the two bodies at low relative velocities and separates them completely at the critical and all higher velocities.

A Warmth Story.
A story is told of the meeting of Matthew Arnold with P. T. Barnum, the great showman, in America. Mr. Arnold, who introduced himself, said he was a man with a worldwide reputation. "Ah, Mr. Arnold," said Barnum, "we are both public men, but the difference between you and me is that you are a celebrity, while I am only a countryman."

The Photographer and the Green.
The photographer is a man out of the proper sphere. He is a man of the camera and the tripod, and he is a man of the camera and the tripod, and he is a man of the camera and the tripod.

A Traveller's Tale.
The truly expressive of the English brought back some strange tales. One of the most curious of these which Mr. Traveller brings in his book on "The Americas" is of a rare of some "stone foot" were turned the wrong way round so that if any one attempted to follow in their tracks the pursuers were misled, actually running from them whom they desired to catch up.

Stand on your feet and let others stand on theirs and the whole concern will stand straighter. God gave us our life to make the most of it. Lots of good will we do with it if we sling it down in the mud for the other folks to dance on!

"Your ideas are no doubt crude," remarked the indifferent girl indifferently, "but they sound sensible."
"They are sensible. What is that parable of the single talent fort? Or any of the other parables that teach the duty of developing to its highest every gift and grace? We can make the world glad only by being glad, strong by being strong. Not by flinging ourselves in a ditch or posing as a martyr. Let me tell you, it takes nerve to be glad and stronghearted, no matter what happens. But it is our business to scratch ardent and find the nerve, and to keep everlastingly at it."

"Whether we feel like it or not!" murmured the indifferent girl, "strikes me, that is a sort of self-sacrifice."
But the young business woman had gone back to Ruskin and was looking for his chapter on peace. She agreed with Ruskin in his saying: "I would rather get near the heart of a pine tree than of anything else." For she was in earnest about her life and it seemed to her that in this unending green, its tireless strength and unintermittent repose, the pine-tree was the type of all that life held highest and noblest.

When a Man's Great.
"I would like to ask you one more question," said the youth.
"Let it come," rejoined the home grown philosopher.

"When," quoted the youth, "would you say that a man has achieved greatness?"
"When he deserves his own opinion of himself," answered the home grown philosopher.—Chicago News.

Uncommon Humanity.
At an evening party a very elderly woman was dining with a younger partner. A stranger approached Douglas Jerrold, who was looking on, and said:
"Pray, sir, can you tell me who is the young man dancing with that elderly woman?"
"One of the Immense society, I should think," replied Jerrold.—Life.

Mediterranean Blues.
The extraordinary blueness of the Mediterranean has two causes. One is that very few large rivers of fresh water run into this sea; the second that the Mediterranean is practically landlocked and, being exposed to a powerful sun, evaporation is great. By actual test the waters of the Mediterranean are heavier and more salt than those of the Atlantic.

The Word Alp.
In Switzerland the word alp does not mean a mountain, but is used to indicate the little valleys in the higher altitudes, where peasants take their cows in summer and where in small huts and pastures the attendants and animals remain for several months in the year. The cows thrive on the tender grass, and their milk is converted on the spot into cheese and butter.

Yabbergrass!
"Gif' him some yabbergrass, miled," was the advice of an old rag and bone man recently to a mother whose child was ailing to a mild febrile illness. The remark was puzzling until Oppenheim's "Yabbergrass" came to mind. Here, it seems, is still called "Yabbergrass" in Derbyshire.—London Family Herald.

Guard Against the Housfly.
We now know that man's own existence in the human system to the agency of a microscopic, that another mosquito transmits the deadly germ of yellow fever and that the dirty housefly is the means of conveying the germ of typhoid from filth to articles of food.

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SUCCESSFUL METHODS.

The Elimination of All Inferior Animals For Breeding Purposes Is the First Step.

The successful live stock breeder does not select the runty pigs, the poor, scrubby calves or the undernourished, poorly developed individuals of any class of live stock to use as his breeding stock. He consigns these animals to the fattening pens and sends them to market as soon as he can and uses only the very best animals he can raise or purchase in his breeding herd. His experience and the experience of other breeders have taught him that is the proper method to follow in order to keep up the standard of his herd or his stock and to improve it. It is just as important for the farmer who grows small grain or in fact any other crop to use the strongest and best seed in order to secure a profitable harvest and to prevent it from deteriorating in yield and quality.

It is true that the soil and its preparation, the climate and numerous other factors as well as the quality of the seed influence the quantity and quality of his crop. It is probable that these factors, some of which he cannot control, have a greater influence than the outside factors with which the animal breeder has to contend, and yet that fact only increases the importance of good seed to the crop grower and emphasizes the desirability of using all possible means within his control to further the production of good crops.

GOOD SOIL RENOVATOR.

Illinois Experiment Station Finds Excellent Qualities in Sweet Clover as a Fertilizer.

As a soil renovator sweet clover is fully equal if not superior to any of the other legumes. Especially is this true when the tops as well as the stubble and roots are plowed under as green manure. In an Illinois investigation it was found that an acre of thrifty sweet clover contained in the tops, stubble and roots 225 pounds of nitrogen, which is more than double the amount found by the Delaware station in an acre of alfalfa or red clover. On account of its rank growth sweet clover adds a great amount of humus, the Illinois station finding that a good acre of sweet clover yielded 4.4 tons of dry matter, which would furnish as much humus forming material as would twenty-five tons of farm manure. If the entire crop is plowed under sweet clover certainly ranks very high as a soil fertilizer. The chief question is not whether sweet clover is good when used in this way for restoring soil fertility, but whether it can be grown on the given place of soil.

Iron or steel surfaces should be carefully cleaned by means of a steel wire brush and every paper to insure the removal of all rust before painting. Paint generally should be applied with a good round brush and well rubbed out. The rubbing out serves to remove any bubbles of air, also the film of air found on all surfaces, and it insures a thorough incorporation of the paint with the surface, thus affording better protection. The rusting of farm machinery is no doubt largely due to the fact that it is "painted" by the dipping process. Air bubbles caused by opening in the paint film, moisture enters and rusting begins. Also the paint, not being cemented to the surface by being well rubbed out, is easily removed mechanically.

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Stations.	No. 3 Daily	No. 5 Ex. Sun.	No. 1 Daily
	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Berlin,	11:43	5:37	11:43
Gorham,	11:52	5:50	11:52
West Bethel,	12:00	4:35	12:00
BETHEL,	12:05	4:27	12:05
Locke's Mills,	12:20	4:08	12:20
Bryan's Pond,	12:25	4:03	12:25
South Paris,	9:50	3:35	9:50
Lewiston,	8:50	2:45	8:45
Portland,	8:00	1:30	8:00

EAST BOUND.

Stations.	No. 4 Daily	No. 6 Ex. Sun.	No. 2 Daily
	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Berlin,	3:15	8:05	3:30
Gorham,	3:30	8:20	4:43
West Bethel,	4:05	8:51	3:15
BETHEL,	4:15	9:01	3:25
Locke's Mills,	4:30	9:10	3:35
Bryan's Pond,	4:38	9:10	3:35
South Paris,	5:08	9:50	4:05
Lewiston, arrive	5:05	10:55	5:00
Portland,	7:00	11:45	5:45

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WEST PARIS.

Mrs. Mildred Davis who is visiting relatives at Milton had the misfortune to break her collar bone Friday afternoon. She is reported as doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Sewall Millett came near a very serious accident Saturday night. As they were driving to West Paris from their home in Greenfield the horse became frightened at an automobile and turning threw Mr. and Mrs. Millett from their carriage directly in front of the auto. Fortunately Mr. Millett escaped with only a few bruises but Mrs. Millett had her knee badly injured, besides an injured hip and shoulder. Mrs. Millett was taken to Dr. Wheeler's office where her injuries were attended and later was carried to her home. No blame was attached to the driver of the auto.

Mrs. Florence Elliott Atkins of Tennessee will lecture at the Grange Hall Aug. 24 at 7.15. Mrs. Atkins is an able temperance lecturer.

Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Starbird of South Paris and Capt. Alfred Starbird and wife of Oskaboma spent Tuesday with Mr. Winfield Starbird's sister, Mrs. Loretta Curtis and family.

Mrs. Clara Hall is working in L. H. Penley's store.

Mrs. L. H. Penley is visiting friends at Auburn and other places.

Dr. Barker of Norway was in town Saturday in consultation with Dr. Wheeler on the case of Mrs. H. G. Brown.

Vernon Ellingwood and family are camping at Greenwood.

Misses Eva and Helen Richardson of Norway have been guests of relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kenney and granddaughter, Miss Abner of Stratford Hollow are guests at R. P. Duxbury's.

Miss Martha Martin of Cambridge recently visited Mrs. E. E. Locke.

Mrs. George F. Cummings of Dorchester, Mass. is at R. H. Fildes's.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Wellman arrived Sunday and are at W. W. Danaham's.

A. H. Swift spent Saturday and Sunday at Portland. Mrs. Swift and Dale who have been in Portland and vicinity for several weeks returned with him.

W. J. Curtis and P. P. McKeeney spent the day Saturday at Portland.

Earle Healy of Mount Vernon is the guest of his sister Mrs. G. A. Smith.

Mrs. Lizzie Hanson of Mechanic Falls was a recent guest of Mrs. Elvira Kenney.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hild and son of Worcester, Mass. are visiting relatives here.

Miss Emma Burke of Locke's Mills is a guest at C. H. Martin's.

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DIXFIELD ITEMS.

The Happenings of the Week as gathered by the Citizen Reporter.

Mrs. Alvin Smith, daughter Bertha and son Lawrence who have been with relatives at Oxford the past four weeks returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Francis Paul of Canton Point came home Friday to help care for her son Will Paul who is critically ill.

F. H. Keene and wife who have been at South Rangely for the past two months returned home Friday.

A party of ten went from here to Worthing Pond Sunday and enjoyed a picnic dinner. Among the number were Mr. and Mrs. Abel Holt and Archie Kidder and wife.

The Dixfield base ball team went to No. Jay Saturday and played a game with the No. Jay nine which resulted in a score of 11 to 3, in favor of Dixfield.

Both spool mills are shut down for a week.

Mrs. Ada E. March is visiting relatives at the Islands this week.

Grover Merrill and wife and E. P. Merrill and three children have returned from Litchfield where they have been for three weeks doing the haying on their father's farm.

Ethel and Edith Gilcrease were guests of their aunt Mrs. C. W. Farrington at Rumford last week.

Edna Porter has finished work for Mrs. E. T. Merrill.

John Delano and wife are spending the week in Boston and vicinity.

Geneva Bisbee of New York City is a guest at the summer home of her father Col. Horatio Bisbee.

Geo. H. Cox and grandson of Illinois were at Hotel Stanley one day last week.

Mrs. S. S. Stowell visited her daughter Mrs. Wm. Smith at Paris last week.

Mrs. A. H. Kenner of Portland was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Frost Sunday. Her little daughter Lucy who has been visiting there returned with her.

John Lane of Allen's Mills, Industry, salesman and collector for Brackett, Shaw Lunt Co., of Somersworth, N. H. took dinner at his brother's Henry Lane's Tuesday.

Mrs. Everett Gould and daughter (Carrie of Lewiston) were guests of Mrs. Gould's sister Mrs. Maurice Melnyk at the Dixfield House last week.

Mrs. Gertrude Cuts and two children of Boothbay are visiting Mrs. Cuts' parents Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Greenlaw.

The house on River Street recently built by W. W. White has been purchased by Geo. Marsh and is now to be occupied by Alfred Walters and wife.

Malcolm Towle who has been visiting her parents John Towle and wife has returned to her work at Cambridge, Mass.

Mrs. Henry Lane was in Lewiston Saturday.

Mrs. A. P. Frost who was quite sick last week is now able to be out around.

Will Paul who has been quite sick for some time remains about the same.

THE TEST OF MERIT.

Bethel People Are Given Con- vincing Proof.

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BEFORE AND AFTER.

"He told me I was sleepily stumbling to my family car."

"And what did he tell you when the wheels were removed?"—Homes Post

NOTICABLY MISSING.

One of the most subtlest characters of the modern age seems to be the absence of being when—Park.

CANTON HAPPENINGS

As Observed and Told by the Citizen-Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Jackson of East Winthrop have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Dority have gone to Oldtown.

The next meeting of the Universalist Circle will be held with Mrs. H. T. Terrill.

E. W. Dodge and wife are visiting relatives in Bridgton.

Mrs. Hattie Davis of Washington, D. C., has been a guest of Mrs. A. S. Hathaway and daughter. She is now visiting in Rumford, her native place.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Towle of Rumford have been guests of W. A. Lucas and wife.

Mrs. J. K. Forhan has been spending a few days in Portland the guest of relatives.

Mrs. Flora Adlerstam is quite ill at the home of her son E. E. Westgate.

Mrs. Edna Russell and daughter Ella Russell of Livermore have been guests of A. P. Russell Sr. and family.

C. O. Holt and Dr. and Mrs. Richard Goss of Lewiston were guests of the Ricknell families Sunday.

Parties from Winthrop are occupying the Reynolds cottage for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Richardson have been entertaining friends from Boston.

Mrs. Herbert Foster has been visiting at Farmington and Chasterville.

Walter Corlies and family of Long Island, N. Y. are guests of his father, D. A. Corlies and family, also C. F. Ordham and family.

Miss Ethel Russell has been visiting in Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Swasey have been enjoying an outing at Weld.

Arthur Farrand has sold out his cream route to LeBaron Card.

Master Gerald Newman of Auburn is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lucas.

Clementine Crockett of Portland has been visiting her home in No. Hartford.

Mrs. Ella MacNichol and little son Arthur of Lynn, Mass. are guests of her sister, Mrs. J. K. Forhan and family.

Mrs. Hattie Caldwell of Hebron has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. A. S. Sampson of Orlinville.

Mrs. Jennie P. Hollis of Old Orchard is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen French.

Miss H. Louise Ellis of Portland has been visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. Annie Cole has returned home after spending a vacation in Bethel and other towns.

Miss Alice Nulty of Canton, with a party of young ladies from Backfield, are enjoying an outing at Walden's cottage. Hazel Hutchinson is at work in Miss Nulty's store during her absence.

The cottages by the lake are nearly all filled now, a party from Portland arriving Saturday for a fortnight's stay at the Lucas and Richardson cottages.

Mrs. Isiah Wharf of Dorchester, Mass. is a guest of her son, Mr. Jean Hayford and family.

Mr. O. M. Richardson entertained Miss Marion Wilson of New York, while in town.

Mrs. Percia Noyes of Philadelphia is a guest of her brother, W. A. Lucas and wife.

The Misses Mary and Mildred Richardson have returned from a visit to Livermore Falls and Winthrop.

Frank Everett of Hale County, Texas and Mattie Hewitt of Winthrop are guests of their uncle, W. L. Roberts and family.

Quite a number from Canton enjoyed the field day of the Livermore Falls merchants at the grove Wednesday.

The Best Way.

There is always a best way of doing everything, if it be only to boil an egg—Kerrison.

A Canardum.

Why is a jawbreaker like a drunkard? Because he takes the pledge, but cannot always keep it.

Vermilion.

There are trade secrets in the Chinese vermilion industry centuries old which no foreigner has ever solved.

Orchids.

There are seven distinct tribes of orchids, hundreds of different genera and thousands of species.

Explained.

Pinkies—Why have you nicknamed your wife Crystal? Because she is always on the watch—Applaud.

Fresh Vegetables.

People usually talk more about fresh vegetables than they eat them—Archison Globe.

Constitutional Architecture.

A lady, asked why she had left her son unattended, answered, 'I never build on a swamp'.

Finishing.

"I have to pick for a living" as the crab said when it scolded the hand of the man who sought to catch it.

The Workers.

In the civilized countries of the world 60 per cent of persons over ten years of age have to work for a living.

ROAD and FARM IMPROVEMENT



DIRT ROADS.

Good Drainage is the Most Important Point to Observe For Their Proper Maintenance.

When we stop to consider the number of miles of road in any county and compare this number with the small number representing the miles of specially surfaced road we can readily see that it will be a great many years, perhaps generations, before all or even half the public roads are surfaced with macadam or sand-clay. For this reason it is very important that careful consideration and thought be given to the construction and maintenance of the dirt road.

When properly constructed the dirt road can be kept in good condition throughout nearly the whole year, except perhaps during periods of severe freezes and thaws.

The location of any public road is the only permanent portion of the road; the great care should be taken that when the road is once constructed there should be no question whatever regarding its relocation. In locating a road it should be done so as to permit of an easy grade, none over 4 1/4 per cent, and should be constructed so that it will readily shed the rainfall. How often we see a road going up a hill and down the other side when by building around the side of the hill it could have been kept at an even grade, reaching the identical point within the same distance or but a little greater.

Many of our country roads are bad because in their construction no arrangement was made for taking care of the water, and thus they are very muddy and filled with ruts and holes. Instead of the middle of the road being higher than the edges, so that the water can readily run off on each side, many of them are flat or even concave, with the center of the road the lowest point. If the road has been constructed so that it is well crowned,

with the slope about one in twenty from the center of the road to the edge, ditches and these ditches have been graded so as to readily take care of the water and yet not steep enough to cause them to cut deep gullies on the side of the road, and if the water is taken from these ditches at every available point so as to prevent seepage of water under the surface of the road, there should be little difficulty in keeping the road in good condition.

The surface of a dirt road should be kept of dirt, and whenever any holes or ruts have developed by the action of the wheels, they should not be filled with stone or brush, but with dirt, and with dirt as nearly as possible of the same character as the dirt composing the surface of the balance of the road. If, on the other hand, holes or ruts are filled with rock, gravel or brush, the wearing effect will be uneven, and the wheels will begin to scrape and cut out holes just beyond or on the opposite side of the road from the hole filled up. If there are stumps or rocks in the road, they should all be removed so that the surface can be smoothed over and brought to an even slope from the center to the ditches.

For maintenance the roads should be divided into sections, with a foreman or overseer, who should go over every mile of his section after every rain and at least every two weeks, and wherever he finds a portion of the road needing repair he should have it done. After each heavy rain he should run a drag over the road in order to bring it into shape and to fill up any ruts or holes that might have been started. It must be borne in mind that roads will not maintain themselves and that repairing a road simply once a year will not keep it in good condition.

Cultivating the Corn Crop.

The essential thing in corn cultivation is to keep the ground free from weeds and covered with a well mulch. The results of fifty-six different tests at seventeen different agricultural experiment stations show an average increase of 42 per cent resulting from shallow cultivation as compared with deep cultivation. In such years cultivation is of less importance than in dry years.

Treatment For Croup of Horses.

It often happens that the dairy cow suffers from cramps of the neck and sometimes of the hind legs. This can be overcome by giving an ounce of bromide of potassium in the bran mash twice each day for ten days.

Raw Potatoes For Chickens.

Raw potatoes are greatly relished by chickens and may be fed freely. Cut them in good sized chunks and let the chickens have them to pick at.

THE WHITE WASH.

The Reason For Its Presence on the Hudson Bay Company's Boat Explained by the Captain.

It is or was a rule of the Hudson Bay company that no woman be allowed passage on its boats. One day some years ago as a steamer of the company neared one of the northernmost ports a string of white garments was seen stretched across the deck. The watchers were amazed, for to them the wash line suggested only the presence of a woman aboard the boat.

Comment was freely made of the scandal that would come and the shakeup that would follow. When the boat docked the line of washing had disappeared—still another proof of the scandal.

Later one of the landmen said to the captain:

"Why, how did it happen that you carried a woman passenger this trip?"

"There was never a woman along the whole voyage," was the indignant answer. "What do you mean?"

"If there was no woman aboard where did all that white wash come from?" was the triumphant reply.

The captain looked puzzled for a moment, and then he laughed.

"Oh," he said, "and didn't we have Lord Strathcona, the governor himself, along with us on this trip? And every day doesn't he insist on having his clean white shirt, no matter how far north we are? That's the white wash you saw strung along deck. And, what's more, doesn't his lordship insist upon having his London paper laid beside his plate every morning, no matter if it is a year old?"—Pearson's.

A MASTER OF METAPHOR.

It Must Have Relieved Him to Get This Out of His System.

A water consumer in a certain city, whose supply had been turned off because he wouldn't pay, wrote to the department as follows:

"In the matter of shutting off the water on unpaid bills your company is fast becoming a regular crystallized Russian bureaucracy, running in a groove and deaf to the appeals of reform. There is no use of your trying to impugn the verity of this indictment by shaking your official heads in the teeth of your own deeds.

"If you will permit in this kind of thing a widespread contagion of the populace will be so imminent that it will require only a spark to let loose the dogs of war in our midst. Will you permit liberty in your watchdogs of our personal liberty in your watchdogs of collector's thinking for its blood? If you permit the first thing you know you will have the chariot of a justly indignant revolution coming along in our midst and crushing its teeth as it rolls.

"If your rascally collectors are permitted to continue coming to our doors with unflinching footsteps, with clouds of hypocritical compunction in their mouths, and compel payment from your patrons this policy will result in cutting the wool off the sheep that lays the golden egg and you have pumped it dry, and then farewell, a long farewell, to our vacated prosperity."—Everybody's.

When to Eat Fruit.

To obtain the most benefit from the abundant fruits they should be eaten at the end of the chief meal. Apples are an exception and may be eaten with any meal. They are very acceptable cut in thin slices and eaten with bread and butter. Stewed fruits often have their virtues wasted through being eaten at the wrong time. Six or eight stewed prunes half an hour before breakfast are beneficial; as are stewed figs or stewed apples eaten before breakfast. Peeled oranges cut into thin slices so that the juice is set free, with sugar strewn over the slices, are not unlike pineapple and form a highly efficacious aid to digestion. Grapes should never be eaten except after the chief meal of the day. Taken when the stomach is comparatively empty, they are a specially harmful fruit.—Family Doctor.

Ruler of Russia's Title.

The general allusion to the ruler of Russia as the czar, strictly speaking, is incorrect. His official title is "emperor and autocrat." Czar is the old Russian word for lord or prince and was abandoned by Peter the Great on his triumphant return from Persia, his growing victory over Charles XII. of Sweden. Since then the Russian monarch has been officially entitled emperor, and at the congress of Vienna in 1815 his right to the imperial term was admitted by the powers, with the proviso that, though he was emperor, he had no precedence over the kings of western Europe. St. James' Gazette.

The Modern Idea.

Roman Guide (disapprovingly)—The rules of the Cellar! Seattle Man (astonished)—Well, what do you think of that? Why, I saw photographs of that trap twenty years ago. Roman Guide (fully)—Quite likely, sir. Seattle Man (that why in thunder aren't those rules cleared away and a modern Cellar erected?—New Orleans Picayune.

Unless.

Townsend—Can a man live on \$1 a day? Beers—Certainly, unless he's so prodigal as to buy something aside for a rainy day, keep up his insurance, eat when he's hungry, buy clothes and pay his bills.—Chicago News.

There is no well doing, no godlike doing, but in not patient doing.—Timothy Titcomb.

A MAGIC CLUB.

Village Sorcerer Performs Rites Over Curious Decoy Used by the Na- tive Fishermen of Hawaii.

"Lau melomelo" is the name of a decoy used by the native fishermen of Hawaii. It is made of the hardest wood to be found on the islands and is carved and rubbed till it assumes the shape of a club with a little knob at the smaller end, to which the line is tied.

The club is from one to three feet long. A village sorcerer performs certain rites over it over a sacred fire. After this is done the club is magic, and the fishermen must be extremely careful of it. If a woman should step over it or enter a canoe in which it lies the club would lose all its power and would be useless over afterward.

After the club has been charmed the fisherman mixes candlenut and coconut meat, bakes it and ties the mixture in a wrapper of coconut fiber.

At the fishing grounds the club is covered with the oily juice of the stuff and is then lowered carefully to the bottom. The scent of the baked nut meat attracts certain kinds of fish, which soon gather and begin to nibble at the club. As soon as enough fish are around the decoy, a small bag shaped net is lowered very gently until its mouth is just over the club. The latter is then pulled up carefully and cunningly till it is within the bag. The fish are so eager for the stuff with which the club is covered that they follow it into the net without fear. As soon as all the fish are in it a fisherman dives and closes the mouth of the net, whereupon the rest haul it up quickly.

THE MIDDLE AGED MAN.

Finding Happiness in a Life That to Youth is Irtkome.

"Younger people," said the middle-aged man, "want variety. They want to be always on the go. Routine galls them. They hate to have to do the same thing over and over and over again day after day.

"They want to go somewhere or do something different all the time. Older people are happiest in a life of routine, most disturbed when variety is thrust upon them.

"For myself I welcome my daily task, endlessly repeated and always the same. I should be lost without it; disturbed if it were changed. A life of habit suits me best. I like the old scenes—familiar friendly surroundings. I don't want to change.

"Nor do I want much outside pleasure. In fact, I think I should be best suited with none. I like my groove. It fits me, and I fit it. I don't want change. I just want to be left alone to work in my accustomed ways. It is in my groove that I am most comfortable. I like a life of labor and routine.

"And could there come to one a greater blessing? Nature and the customs of men enforce routine upon us whether we like it or not. In youth this tries us, but in our maturer years in a life of routine, the undisturbed enjoyment of familiar labor, we may find our greatest happiness."—New York Sun.

The One to Pay.

When she was Lady Randolph Churchill, Mrs. George Cornwallis West consented to electioneer for Mr. Ashmead-Bartlett in his first parliamentary campaign. Mr. Ashmead-Bartlett was married to the Baroness Burdett-Coutts, a very rich woman, who was nearly forty years his senior. Lady Randolph, with her beauty and charms, did splendid work for the candidate.

To a group of farmers she said one day:

"Won't you promise me to vote for Mr. Ashmead-Bartlett?"

"My lady," said a red faced farmer, with a chuckle, "we'll all vote for him if every vote 'll be paid for with a kiss."

"Thank you very much," said Lady Randolph. "Your offer is accepted. I'll send for the Baroness Burdett-Coutts at once."

Deserted Their Towns.

So late as the end of the seventeenth century the inhabitants of Ceylon were in the habit of deserting their towns. Their customs are described in the narrative of Captain Robert Knox, who for nineteen years, from 1691 to 1710, was a captive among them. He speaks of several towns as being deserted owing to the fact that their inhabitants had forsaken them. This they did if any of them fell sick, and two or three died soon after one another, thinking that it was a visitation of the evil one. Some of them came back when they thought the evil spirits had departed.

A Queer Creature.

Queer that while the male seal is a toll and the female a cow their younger is not called a calf, but a pup.

Why "seal fisheries," too, when the seal is not a fish?

And why should the seal's breeding place be styled a rookery?

It looks as if this strange creature is only a fish in common parlance while at sea. On land for he is classed popularly with animals or birds.—Ex. change.

Gratitude.

Kind Lady—My poor man, what would you do with the money if I gave you a penny? Tired House-Madam, I'd buy a picture postcard and write for a note or thanks.—Cleveland Leader.

Ignorance when it is voluntary is criminal.—Johnson.

